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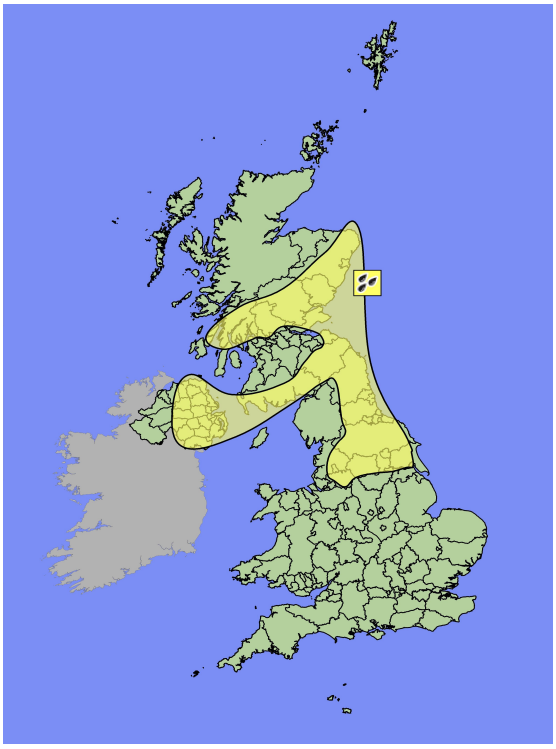

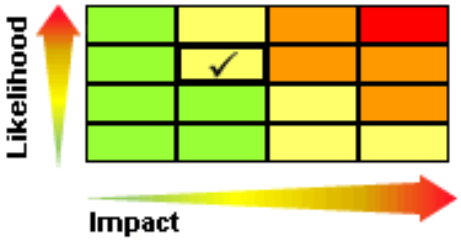

Chief Forecasters Assessment
A slow moving frontal zone and strong southeasterly winds will lead to persistent and often heavy rain across parts of the north and northeast of the UK during Thursday, with snow accumulating above 500-600 metres. Rainfall totals of 20-30 mm are expected fairly widely, with 50 mm or more expected over southeast facing slopes of eastern Scotland.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Warning** of **Rain**

Valid from **00:05 on Thu, 20th Dec 2012** until **23:59 on Thu, 20th Dec 2012**

Persistent, and often heavy rain, will affect much of central and eastern Northern Ireland, eastern and parts of central and southern Scotland and parts of the northern England during Thursday. The rain will be accompanied by strong to gale southeasterly winds with very rough seas also developing on some North Sea coasts. On the higher hills, snow is expected with blizzard conditions affecting the mountains.

The public should be aware of the risk of localised flooding and travel disruption.

This is an update to the warning issued on Tuesday and includes a larger area of risk. Please also refer to the amber warning where the risk of disruption is greater.

For more details please go to:
http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/public/weather/warnings

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  - Aberdeenshire
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  - Durham
  - Gateshead
  - Hartlepool
  - Middlesbrough
  - Newcastle upon Tyne
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  - Northumberland
  - Redcar and Cleveland
  - South Tyneside
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  - Cumbria
  - Greater Manchester
  - Lancashire
- Northern Ireland
  - County Antrim
  - County Armagh
  - County Down
  - County Londonderry
  - County Tyrone
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